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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION WHEREAS, John T. Trutter has been called to eternal life by 2 3 the wisdom of God at the age of 86; and 4 WHEREAS, John T. Trutter was a widely respected business 5 executive who hailed from a prominent Springfield family; and 6 WHEREAS, John T. Trutter spent his career with the Illinois 7 Bell Telephone Company, holding positions in numerous facets 8 with the company before retiring as Senior Vice President for 9 Community Affairs and Public Relations; and 10 WHEREAS, Known as a gifted organizer and natural leader, 11 John T. Trutter received his bachelor's degree from the 12 University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, where he was the 13 Student Body President; and 14 WHEREAS, John T. Trutter achieved the rank of Lieutenant 15 Colonel in the United States Army and received the Legion of Merit Award for his dedicated service during World War II; and 16 An active member with 17 WHEREAS, numerous civic 18 charitable organizations, John T. Trutter served on the Board 19 of the United Cerebral Palsy Association of Greater Chicago, 20 and for several years was its President and Chairman; and

- 1 WHEREAS, During the 1980's, John T. Trutter was the
- 2 President and Chief Executive Officer of the Chicago Convention
- 3 and Tourism Bureau and President of the Chicago Tourism
- 4 Council; and
- 5 WHEREAS, From 1986 until 2002, John T. Trutter was
- 6 Chancellor of the Lincoln Academy, which honors Illinois
- 7 residents for their contributions in diverse areas such as
- 8 business, science, and the arts; and
- 9 WHEREAS, For his tireless efforts and distinguished work in
- 10 the social services, John T. Trutter was awarded the Order of
- 11 Lincoln by Governor James Thompson, the State of Illinois'
- 12 highest honor; and
- 13 WHEREAS, The hard work, sacrifice, and dedication of John
- 14 T. Trutter serve as an example to all; and
- 15 WHEREAS, John T. Trutter's love of life and ability to live
- it to the fullest endeared him to his family members, friends,
- and all who knew him, and enabled him to enrich their lives in
- 18 ways they will never forget; and
- 19 WHEREAS, John T. Trutter was an individual of great
- 20 integrity and accomplishment who will be dearly missed and

1 fondly remembered by his many relatives, friends, and admirers;

- 2 and
- 3 WHEREAS, To his daughter, Edith Hauff, his son, Jonathan,
- 4 and his two grandchildren, John T. Trutter imparts a legacy of
- 5 faithfulness, service, and dignity; therefore, be it
- 6 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
- 7 NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
- 8 commemorate John T. Trutter for his grace-filled life and do
- 9 hereby express our condolences to his family; and be it further
- 10 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 11 presented to the family of John T. Trutter as an expression of
- 12 our sympathy.